

A Brief Note On The History Of Donald Donat Berment, Sept /2014

After being asked to prepare a brief note in anticipation of the receipt of an award from the International Men's Day Committee, Trinidad and Tobago Branch, headed by Dr. Jerome Teelucksingh. www.internationalmensday.org. Also as a prerequisite to my resignation as the Personal Assistant to Minister Winston "Gypsy" Peters, the following was submitted.

I am an adult male, now 66 years of age, learning daily to respect and love GOD more, giving thanks for all the blessed gifts granted to date, including the opportunity of long life.

Studied Architecture by Correspondence Course, did 8 years of legal training in our Local Courts, pleading to Court of Appeal level, some short courses in relevant areas including Social Psychology and completed 4 years and 4 months as the Personal Assistant to a talented Minister of Government and Member of Parliament for a very large Constituency, acquiring first-hand knowledge and experience at this dynamic top policy formulating level of Government and Constituency Management, culminating in a proposal for Constitution Reform 2013, located at the below mentioned archive.

A proud father of an African Princess now 30 years of age and the Managing Director of her own company as a qualified Cosmetologist, focused on Nail Technology and a blessed grandfather of a 14 month grandson to date, which pointed me to embark on a Children's Studies Online Diploma Program, using his growth and development as a case study, eventually adding to the body of knowledge existing in the discipline of Developmental Psychology and the distinct sociological and cultural class of the 0—18 year span.

The roots of my soul are based in the study and practice of Architecture. Radical in my views about how Architecture should be studied and practiced but holding enough love for the discipline and profession to stand aside and let it unfold as it has been doing. This Developmental Architecture thrust is housed in the Computer Cloud www.archive.org with a search of Donald Berment and "The Soul of Architecture," describing the concept of "Natural Growth Architecture".

To date I have completed 30 plus years in the area of Settlement Development as a developmental study in Architecture titled **"The Social Effects of and Construction Methods employed in Community Lifestyles and Low Cost Housing respectively, using Modern Day Techniques, With an Accent on Tropical Architecture."** The glaring absence of Social Psychology Concepts when training Architects has been a serious concern in my training. During this period, add 15 years plus as a Domestic Violence Counsellor, Secretary/Director with the Organisation "Men Against Violence Against Women" (MAVAW), which pioneered the concept of "The BSD Syndrome—Understanding Societal Violence," the Gender Neutral Model for analysing dysfunctional behaviour in relationships.

On my resignation as the Personal Assistant to the Honourable Winston "Gypsy" Peters, Minister of Community Development at the end of September 2014, the advice service provided to the Minister over those years will be available to all and sundry, free of charge, for the rest of the term of this government. Ph 383-6184, email donaldberment@gmail.com.

Signed.....Housing Specialist/NGA/DVC

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